

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

TROPICAL STORM ERNESTO SITUATION REPORT # 13 1500 Hours 6 September 2006

New Information in Italics and bold

SUMMARY

The Virginia Department of Emergency Management/Virginia Emergency Operations Center is at Hurricane Readiness Level 5, **Recovery** Operations condition. Efforts now focus on damage assessments and meeting immediate assistance needs.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation: The Virginia Emergency Operations Center is monitoring National Weather Service and River Forecast Center forecasts, coordinating conference calls, and producing Situation Reports.

VDEM Priorities: Provide for the health, safety, and welfare of citizens and emergency workers; coordinate an efficient and effective state response effort **with heavy emphasis on the City of Richmond**; manage an aggressive response to requests for assistance; keep stakeholders and the public informed and **compile** Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDA) **for use in a potential request for a Presidential declaration**.

STATE OF EMERGENCY

Governor Timothy M. Kaine declared a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia on August 31, 2006, in preparation for Tropical Storm Ernesto.

Protective Actions: **Local Activation of EOC:**
Northumberland County – Closed 5 September
Gloucester County – Closed 5 September
Richmond City – Reactivated 4 September @ 1100

Local State of Emergency Declared

York County – 1 September @ 0900
City of Poquoson – 1 September @ 0900
City of Richmond – 1 September @ 1130
City of Newport News – 1 September @ 1200
Northumberland County – 1 September @ 1230
Lancaster County – 1 September @ 1200
Accomack County – 1 September @ 1200
Northampton County – 1 September @ 1400
Richmond County – 1 September @ 1830
Middlesex County – 1 September @ 1600
Gloucester County – 1 September @ 1200
Mathews County – 1 September @ 1215

Adjacent Jurisdictions:

North Carolina declared a State of Emergency
West Virginia declared State of Emergency.

ESF 15 – External Affairs: A local public advisory to assist with citizen inquiries regarding reporting damage and the potential request for Federal disaster assistance **was sent to local emergency managers in VDEM Region 1 and 5 this morning. Coordination of media coverage of joint PDA's and routine response to media and legislative inquiries are ongoing.**

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WEATHER FORECAST

Hazardous Weather Outlook 5 September: *Flash Flood Watches have been cancelled across the Commonwealth. Flood Warning for Blackwater River above the City of Franklin continues through Wednesday night, 6 September. Moderate flooding is occurring and is expected to continue.*

Tonight: *Partly cloudy with light winds with lows in the 60's.*

Thursday 7 September: *Partly cloudy with a high near 77. North winds between 3 and 6 mph.*

OPERATIONS SECTION

ESF 5 – Emergency Management: No future conference calls are scheduled at this time.

STATE WARNING POINT: Monitoring National Weather Service advisories and River Forecast Center forecast.

LOCAL LIAISON: Contacting localities to follow-up with IDA reports.

<u>Request*</u>	<u>Locality</u>	<u>Status</u>
Long-term housing	Newport News	Closed
Water Pumps	City of Richmond	In Progress

*Completed requests for assistance from localities are listed in prior Situation Reports.

EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH

ESF 8 – Public Health & Medical Services: *OCME has confirmed Six Ernesto- related fatalities, including the Burke Motor Vehicle Accident. Thirty eight small groundwater systems effecting approximately 4,359 citizens are on Boil Water Advisories (3 waterworks still on emergency/standby power).* These systems are isolated in Lancaster, Northumberland, Essex, Gloucester, King William, Henrico, **Goochland**, Mathews, Middlesex, New Kent, Richmond, and Westmoreland Counties. *Operators are collecting bacteriological samples to ensure that the water quality has been restored. Sample results will be provided to VDH for validation prior to lifting the Boil Water Advisory. VDH has closed* most of the Chesapeake Bay (from Smith Point down to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel) to shell fishing due to heavy local rainfall and runoff.

INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH

ESF 1 – Transportation: As of **1400** hours 5 September, VDOT reports **23** secondary roads are closed or under repair due to flooding or washout.

ESF 12 – Energy: As of **1300** hours 6 September, Virginia Dominion Power reports **300** customers currently without power. ***This update reflects normal operations.***

LOGISTICS SECTION

ESF 7 – Resource Support: Standing by to coordinate federal identification and establishment of Mobilization Center and Staging Areas for commodities. FEMA has pre-positioned 120 trailers in VA. VDEM is mapping potential points of distribution and awaiting additional input from localities.

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RECOVERY SECTION (ESF 14)

Initial Damage Assessment Report:

<u>Locality</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>Public*</u>
Accomack County	\$3,085,000	\$677,000*
Alexandria	\$20,000	\$20,000
Amelia County	N/A	\$10,000*
Arlington County	N/A	\$2,000*
Brunswick County	N/A	\$2,000*
Caroline County	\$9,000	\$76,200*
Charles City County	N/A	\$5,800*
Chesterfield County	\$100,000	\$22,000*
Chincoteague, Town of	\$254,000	\$111,500
Colonial Heights, City of	\$12,000	N/A
Dinwiddie County	\$75,000	\$115,000*
Essex County	N/A	\$75,000*
Fairfax County	N/A	\$70,000*
Franklin County	N/A	\$75,000*
Goochland County	N/A	\$2,000*
Gloucester County	\$644,150	\$607,656*
Greensville County	N/A	\$2,500*
Hampton City	\$443,000**	\$1,038,000
Hanover County	N/A	\$2,000*
Henrico County	N/A	\$10,000*
Henry County	\$30,000	N/A
Isle of Wight County	N/A	\$280,000*
James City County	\$150,000	\$250,000*
King George County	\$1,000,000	\$345,000*
King and Queen County	N/A	\$100,000*
King William County	N/A	\$75,000*
Lancaster County	N/A	\$100,000*
Loudoun County	N/A	\$35,000*
Lunenburg County	N/A	\$10,000*
Mathews County	\$3,168,000	\$205,000*
Mecklenburg County	N/A	\$2,000*
Middlesex County	\$8,540,925	\$200,000*
New Kent County	\$552,000	\$21,200*
Newport News, City of	\$4,072,000	N/A
Northampton County	\$5,600,000	\$65,950.00*
Northumberland County	\$17,805,000	\$460,000*
Nottoway County	N/A	\$5,000*
Poquoson, City of	\$925,000	\$85,100
Powhatan County	\$100,000	\$8,000*
Prince George County	N/A	\$15,000*
Prince William County	N/A	\$40,000*
Richmond City	\$9,000,000	\$39,280,321
Richmond County	\$1,600,000	\$120,000*
Southampton County	N/A	\$50,000*
Spotsylvania County	N/A	\$22,000*
Stafford County	N/A	\$22,000*
Surry County	N/A	\$75,300*
Sussex County	N/A	\$59,000*
Virginia Beach, City of	\$225,000	\$75,000
Westmoreland County	N/A	\$75,000*
York County	\$517,000	\$910,000*
Total	\$57,932,075**	\$46,262,527*

*includes VDOT estimates

** includes residential, business, and agriculture estimates

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Damage Assessment Team: Four VDEM *teams conducted verification of IDA reports from localities in Regions 1 and 5.*

FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION SECTION

Finance: *Reservist for* Damage Assessment teams on standby for IA and PA.

PLANNING SECTION

Planning: Monitor and review incoming situational status and damage assessments and distribute Situation Reports.

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